

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A strand 41, which is formed by twisting
filaments 41a, is inserted through an untwisting
device 48. The filaments 41a are untwisted and a
predetermined space S is formed between the filaments.
In this state, a rubber membrane coating is formed on
the periphery of each filament 41a. Then, the
filament is retwisted to form a rubber membrane
10 coated strand 59. Therefore, the rubber membrane
coated strand 59 has a predetermined strength against
external force and is adequately adhered to the
rubber so that the rubber membrane coated strand
resists corrosion, absorbs vibration, and suppresses
15 frictional heating. A belt and a ply, which use the
strand, are provided.

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